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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 28, 2001, Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 12-47, drawn to a recombinant fusion polypeptide and a composition comprising the same.

In view of the above election, Applicant hereby cancels claims 49-53 without prejudice to the filing of any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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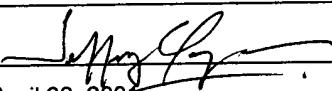
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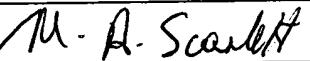
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